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Art Unit	1637
Examiner Name	Tung, Joyce
Attorney Docket Number	PENN-0743

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application**

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114**a. ☒ Previously submittedi. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on January 2, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed oniii. ☐ Otherb. ☒ Enclosedi. ☒ Amendment/Replyiii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time2. **Miscellaneous**a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of      months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)b. ☐ Other3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1619i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)iii. ☐ Otherb. ☐ Check in the amount of \$                      enclosedc. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.****SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This Preliminary Amendment addresses issues raised by the Examiner in the Office Action dated October 2, 2002 and the Advisory Action mailed January 29, 2003. A Request for Continued Examination as well as a Petition for a three (3) month Extension of Time and the requisite fees are provided herewith. Please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record.